

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE DIVISION  
CASE NO. 3:23-CV-709-RJC-DCK**

**FRANK HARMON BLACK, and  
SOUTHEAST INVESTMENTS, N.C.,  
INC.,**

**Plaintiffs,**

**v.**

**FINANCIAL INDUSTRY REGULATORY  
AUTHORITY, and SECURITIES AND  
EXCHANGE COMMISSION,**

**Defendants.**

**ORDER**

**THIS MATTER IS BEFORE THE COURT** on the “Motion For Admission *Pro Hac Vice* and Affidavit” (Document No. 16) filed by Cory Hohnbaum, concerning Alex Gesch, on December 5, 2023. Alex Gesch seeks to appear as counsel *pro hac vice* for Defendant Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. Upon review and consideration of the motion, which was accompanied by submission of the necessary fee and information, the Court will grant the motion.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that in accordance with Local Rule 83.1, the “Motion For Admission *Pro Hac Vice* and Affidavit” (Document No. 16) is **GRANTED**. Alex Gesch is hereby admitted *pro hac vice* to represent Defendant Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed: December 5, 2023

  
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David C. Keesler  
United States Magistrate Judge

